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In re: Wheeler et al.

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Filed: March 30, 2001

For: METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS UTILIZING AN ALTERNATIVE SPLICE  
VARIANT OF THE SIGMA-1 RECEPTOR

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR §1.27.

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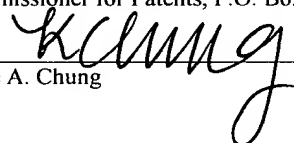
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This Amendment is in response to the Office Action of June 14, 2004, the present amendment is provided in the Revised Amendment Format as published in the Official Gazette on February 25, 2003. The Revised Amendment Format waives certain requirements of 37 CFR 1.121.